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SUBJECT: US-IRAQI RELATIONS

- 1. NEWS AGENCIES ARE REPORTING STATEMENTS BY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN JUNE 13 WHICH OUTLINE CONDITIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF US-LIBYAN RELATIONS. I ANTICIPATE THAT OPPONENTS WITHIN GOI OF RESUMPTION OF RELATIONS WILL NOW CLAIM THAT RESUMPTION WOULD LEAD TO USG DIPLOMATIC PRESSURES ON IRAQ TO CHANGE ITS POLICY TOWARD ARAB-ISRAELI DISPUTE AND ITS SUPPORT OF REJECTION FRONT. SUPPORTERS OF RESUMPTION WILL FEAR THAT RESUMPTION WOULD OPEN THEM TO CHARGE OF HAVING CHANGED ESTABLISHED IRAQI POLICIES TOWARD PALESTINE ISSUES AS PRICE OF RELATIONS WITH USG.
- 2. HOW DO I RESPOND IF ASKED BY GOI WHETHER USG PLACES
 CONDITIONS ON RESUMPTION OF RELATIONS WITH IRAQ SIMILAR
 TO THOSE FOR IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS WITH LIBYA? HOW DO I
 RESPOND IF GOI ASKS WHETHER USG WOULD ACCEPT EXCHANGE OF AMBASSADORS
 AFTER RESUMPTION OR WHETHER WE WOULD FOLLOW US-LIBYAN MODEL?
 APPRECIATE ANY GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT BELIEVES TO BE HELPFUL.
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